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SUBJECT: "BASQUE TERRORIST" SEEKING ASYLUM SHOWN TO BE IMPOSTER

REF: 76 STOCKHOLM 6547

1. THE ASYLUM CASE OF JOSE ABAITUA GOMEZA, WHO ARRIVED IN STOCKHOLM IN NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR AND WAS DESCRIBED IN THE PRESS AS A BASQUE TERRORIST AND PARTICIPANT IN THE ASSASSINATION OF CARRERO BLANCO (REFTEL), WAS THROWN INTO CONFUSION WHEN A SECOND BASQUE REFUGEE APPEARED AT THE SWEDISH EMBASSY IN PARIS ON JANUARY 7 WITH DOCUMENTATION INDICATING THAT HE WAS THE "REAL" ABAITUA. THE FRENCH ABAITUA CLAIMED THAT AT FIRST HE WAS PLEASED TO HAVE THE SPANISH POLICE BELIEVE HE WAS IN STOCKHOLM, BUT DID NOT WANT STATEMENTS MADE IN HIS NAME AND PUBLICIZED IN EUROPEAN MEDIA TO INJURE HIS COMRADES IN THE ETA. ABAITUA TOLD THE PRESS THAT HIS
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ALTER EGO'S REAL NAME MAY BE JUAN MARIA SANZ, AND THAT THE IMPOSTER POSSIBLY IS A SPANISH POLICE AGENT.

2. ON JANUARY 12 SWEDISH DAGENS NYHETER REPORTED THAT THE SWEDISH ABAITUA HAS DISAPPEARED AND HAS CLAIMED IN A LETTER TO THE PAPER THAT HE HAS GONE UNDERGROUND FOR A MONTH AND WILL LATER PRODUCE CONCLUSIVE PROOF OF HIS

IDENTITY. HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO JANUARY 13 PRESS
REPORTS, FRENCH POLICE HAVE IDENTIFIED THE SWEDISH
ABAITUA AS A PETTY CRIMINAL KNOWN TO POLICE IN
SEVERAL COUNTRIES, CONFIRMING THAT HE LIED TO SWEDISH
AUTHORITIES.
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